

Tagetes erecta

Common name(s)

African marigold,

Edible portion:

Leaves, Flowers - colouring, Flowers,

Distribution

It is a tropical plant. It grows in both temperate and warm countries. In Nepal it grows to about 2200 m altitude.

Description

A herb. It grows 0.5-1 m tall. It grows from seed each year. The stems are angular and green. The leaves are deeply lobed. The lobes are along the stalk. They also have coarse, sharp teeth. The flower heads are single. They have long stalks and are yellow. The fruit is dry.

Use

The young leaves are boiled and eaten with fish sauces.

The fresh receptacle is eaten by children.

The dried flowers are used to colour butter and cheese.

The flowers of some kinds can be eaten.

Cultivation

Plants are grown from seed.

Production

It is fast growing.

Nutritional values

Edible Part	Moisture %	Energy kJ	Energy kcal	Protein g	Provit A µg	Vit C mg	Iron mg	Zinc mg
(per 100 grams of edible portion)								



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Synonyms**Other common names**

Aztec Marigold, Bantichettu, Cempasuchil, Chandumallige, Chendumalli, Dewali-pan, Ganduga, Genda, Gendu, Gul-jafari, Guljharo, Gultera, Kala-pan, Makerita, Makhanala, Makhmal, Mentok, Mir-kadomphui, Rajia-cha-phul, Rumena žametnica, Sandu, Sayapatri, Sbay rueng, Seemeshamantige, Sthulapushpa, Tangla, Te merikora, The thousand birthdays chrysanthemum, Tulukka-samandi, Wanshouju, Zemu,



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